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**PRELIMINARY DRAFT**  
**No. 3423**

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**DIGEST**

**Citations Affected:** IC 12-17.2-3.5-5.

**Synopsis:** Eligibility for federal child care voucher payments. Specifies requirements that must be met by a child care provider as a condition of eligibility to receive a federal Child Care and Development Fund voucher payment.

**Effective:** July 1, 2013.



A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning human services.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

SECTION 1. IC 12-17.2-3.5-5 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2013]: Sec. 5. (a) A provider shall have:

- (1) working smoke detectors that meet the standards adopted by rule for smoke detectors in licensed child care homes; and
  - (2) hot and cold running water;
- in the area of the facility where the provider operates a child care program.

(b) A provider shall maintain compliance with standards concerning the following as determined by the division under rules adopted by the division under section 15 of this chapter:

(1) A provider that cares for:

(A) not more than sixteen (16) children at a facility where the provider operates a child care program shall:

- (i) maintain a ratio of children to caregivers in the same proportions as the child to staff ratios that are required; and
- (ii) provide the same equipment as the equipment that is required;

for a child care home under IC 12-17.2-5; or

(B) more than sixteen (16) children at a facility where the provider operates a child care program shall:

- (i) maintain a ratio of children to caregivers in the same proportions as the child to staff ratios that are required; and
- (ii) provide the same equipment as the equipment that is required;

for a child care center under IC 12-17.2-4.

(2) A provider shall ensure that the child occupancy in a facility where the provider operates a child care program is not more than one (1) child per thirty-five (35) square feet of



- 1 floor space.
- 2 (3) The provider shall provide appropriate nutrition at
- 3 appropriate times.
- 4 (4) The provider shall discipline appropriately.

